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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

AMSSB-DIC

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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Pollution Prevention Policy

1. This memorandum supercedes USAAPG memorandum, AMSSB-DIC, 19 Feb 02, subject: Aberdeen Proving Ground Pollution Prevention Policy.
2. Applicability and References: This pollution prevention policy fulfills the requirements of Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG) Pollution Prevention Plan, 2004; Executive Order 13148, Greening the Government Through Leadership in Environmental Management, 2000; Pollution Prevention Act (PPA), 1990; Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (EPCRA), 1986; and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 1976.
3. Pollution prevention is the use of materials, processes, or practices that eliminate or reduce the toxicity and volume of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants entering a waste stream or otherwise released into the environment.
4. Aberdeen Proving Ground, as a major military installation in an environmentally sensitive region, is committed to environmental stewardship through pollution prevention.
5. In keeping with this commitment, all APG employees will strive to incorporate pollution prevention practices into daily operations through the reduction or elimination of pollutants at the source of generation, as well as through recycling, treatment, and disposal. Specifically, pollution prevention practices must include the following measures:
  - a. Reducing the use of natural resources.
  - b. Reducing excessive purchasing and/or stocking of materials.
  - c. Complying with affirmative procurement requirements.
  - d. Encouraging the use of environmentally preferable products.
  - e. Considering and using less polluting processes.
  - f. Improving communication and training regarding pollution prevention initiatives.
  - g. Maximizing reuse and recycling of materials.

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6. Individual commitment to preventive strategies will enable organizational responsibility and accountability in all of our activities by:

- a. Providing a clean and safe environment in our community.
- b. Ensuring a safe and healthy workplace for our employees.
- c. Complying with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.
- d. Accomplishing our mission efficiently.
- e. Reducing waste generation and waste management costs.
- f. Reducing future liability for waste disposal.

7. Every military member, civilian employee, and contractor at APG is expected to not only be aware of pollution prevention strategies, but to also incorporate them into daily activities.

8. The fulfillment of our national defense missions depends on our individual and organizational commitment to preserving resources and protecting the environment in which we work and the community in which we live.

9. The point of contact for this matter is Mr. Robert Solyan, Pollution Prevention Program Manager, email [bob.solyan@apg.army.mil](mailto:bob.solyan@apg.army.mil) or phone 410-306-2275.

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